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## *Wake Up and Fight*

Workers of Pepperell!

Every one of us is in this war. We're in it, whether we like it or not. If we really know what it's all about we will like it. We'll like the excitement, the thrill, and the glory of good fight, well fought.

We're not only fighting for democracy, for freedom, and for all the other things that help to make life easy. We're fighting for a lot more. We're fighting for our pride.

Are we afraid to fight? Don't we like war? Would we rather sit at home and be comfortable? Are we afraid to make battle?

Every one of us is too proud to back down when we're challenged to any kind of a fight. We're challenged in this one, and every person who has got any pride is going to fight.

If you're walking down the street and someone hits you on the chin, you don't stop to argue with him whether he's right or wrong — you start swinging. Your pride makes you do it.

We've been hit and hit hard. We haven't time or reason to argue. We've got to fight and to fight now.

What can you do?

Many of Pepperell's departments are making cloth that's needed for the War. And the chances are that before long, more departments will be making what the Army or the Navy needs.

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## 18 MEN EMPLOYEES ENJOYED BOSTON TRIP TO SEE HOCKEY GAME

### FIRST VISIT TO THE HUB FOR SOME

Among the 12,000 hockey fans to witness the Boston Bruins play the Toronto Maple Leafs March 3rd were 18 employees of Pepperell's three northern mills. These men were guests of Pepperell on this enjoyable trip and each man expressed his appreciation to Pepperell for making such an outing possible.

Lewiston men travelled to Portland by bus and then boarded the non-stop Kennebec Limited. Upon arrival in Boston they had their supper at the restaurant in the North Station. Biddeford boys took the "Pepperell Special" at Biddeford and joined the Fall River group at the Union Oyster House on Canal Street in Boston for their pre-game supper. Following this the three groups met and went to the Boston Garden where they watched the Bruins wallop the Maple Leafs to the tune of 5 to 3.

### These Men Had a Fine Time

The men attending the hockey game were:

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Second Hand Bob Poirier of Biddeford pulls out a fresh one from the waters of Sand Pond. Foreman James Johnson says it's pretty good and just the right size for the bait he uses. Many other Pepperell employees took advantage of the cold weather for fishing. In a few weeks fishing for salmon and trout will commence and there'll be some "Fishing Widows."



Many of the Pepperell employees root for each member of the Bruins outfit, but one man who was lucky to go on the all-expense trip specially enjoyed the splendid playing of the goal defender, Frank Brimsek, right. Horace Hoyt, left, takes a share in the playing by holding the hockey stick.

BIDDEFORD: Gail Boston, Kenneth Foss, Paul Hevey, Roland Rousseille, Albert Larose, Horace Hoyt and John Black.

LEWISTON: Leon Caron, Edgar Hodgkins, Frank Tardiff, Gerald Bennett, Walter Cloutier, Napoleon Beauchesne, Harry Vaughn and Carl French.

FALL RIVER: Octive Costa, John Dennihy, Franklin Bigelow, Henry Rondeau, Frank Furtado, William Lund and William Oothout.

#### An All-Expense Trip for Women

About the middle of April, 18 lucky women will be chosen from the three mills for an all-expense trip to Boston, similar to that enjoyed by 18 other women last December 13. Arrangements for this are in the process of being completed. Further details will be posted on the bulletin boards.

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Greatly enjoying the game in Boston from Fall River were—front row, left to right, John Denniby, Octive Costa, Franklin Bigelow and Frank Faraldo. Back row, Henry Rondeau, William Oothout and William Lund.



Located in a box seat at the hockey game were the Lewiston group who were, front row, left to right, Frank Tardif, Gerald Bennett, Walter Cloutier and Napoleon Beauchene. Back row, Leon Caron, Harry Vaughn, Carl French and Edgar Hodgkins.



Present from Biddeford to witness the hockey game in Boston were, front row, Horace Hoyt, Kenneth Foss, Paul Hevey and John Black. Back row, Rowland Rouselle and Albert Larose.

## KEEP IN GOOD HEALTH AND BENEFIT YOURSELF AND COUNTRY

ENTIRE CLINIC FACILITIES  
AT YOUR SERVICE



The Mill Clinics will help you, not only when you're injured, but also when you're sick, or don't feel well. Don't hesitate to visit the Clinic at any time. It will cost you nothing, and it will help you to keep well.

There is one very definite method whereby we all can get into America's conservation program, and that is to take an inventory of our physical well being, to conserve our health for the duties that lay before us.

Remember that **HEALTH IS PATRIOTISM**. Check any unnecessary practice that would cause lost man-hours through sickness. If an employee is sick, by all means, place yourself under the care of a physician. Likewise, if any employee is feeling ill, go to the plant Clinic and receive free medical attention. That is what the Clinic is for. This is especially true if you have some common ailment, for after receiving proper and adequate attention, you will be permitted to return to your job without loss of production. Lost hours through sickness cause lost production. Those hours and that production is lost—and forms a part of eternity. Keep yourself in good physical condition, for your own benefit and your country's Health is patriotism.

# ARE WE GOING THE WAY OF FRANCE?

When the thirteenth of May comes around this year, think back two years ago. On that day in 1940, the French line broke at Sedan, and the beginning of the military defeat of France was well under way. This glorious nation, one of the finest in the world, had to bow its head, and, as a conquered nation forsake the pride and the traditions that it had cherished for so many years.

The events that happened on May 13 were not alone the reasons for the Fall of France. For a number of years conditions within the country had been the kind that could not help but develop disunity, unfaithfulness to the government, failure to produce armaments, and all the equipment needed for the war. And most important of all, the willingness of the French people to fight for their country was diluted with the desire to fight for petty differences, for small advantages of individual groups, and consequently to lose sight of the great objective of the nation — to defeat the enemy through vicious unity of fighting.

The many groups in France that opposed each other had developed their antagonisms over a long period of years, and in looking back at the reasons for the growth of these differences, many people have given several explanations for the disunity that prevailed. Some people have said that the unwillingness of the industries of France to give up the desire for great profits was an important reason which undermined the strength of the government. Others have said that the lack of an intelligent plan for attack by the government contributed to its downfall. Others have claimed that the victory of 1918 had made the people soft and



too unwilling to sacrifice themselves to their nation. And still others have said that the so-called reforms which were started by the Blum government in June 1936, were largely the reasons for the defeat of this glorious nation.

Only time and history will record the ultimate reasons which led to the disastrous results of 1940. But, in the experience of France, there may be a lesson that is extremely important to the people of the United States, who, to a great extent have gone through, and are still going through, many of the conditions that afflicted La Belle France.

If, in France, there had persisted a desire on the part of industry to reap great profits from the war, in the United States, with few exceptions, there has been no great desire to profiteer at the expense of the war effort. Even though a company may have desired to increase its profits, the amount of taxation that the government imposes makes it hardly possible for any industry or any company to profit much beyond a bare margin of existence. In the case of the Pepperell Company, there exists no intention or desire to secure profits that are out of proportion to the need of the company to maintain itself. A normal profit is necessary to the existence of any company, and the President of your company has made it clear that, under no

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circumstances, should any person in the company make an effort to increase these profits beyond the barest needs to keep the company strong and healthy.

On the contrary, it is the policy of your company to produce many kinds of fabrics that are needed for the war, for the Army, Navy, Air Corps or Marines, and to produce them even without profit, if the circumstances demand that this be done. In this specific instance, there is ample evidence of the fact that there are thousands of loyal American companies whose primary interest is in winning the war. You can feel proud, we believe, that in the cotton-textile industry your company is one of the leaders in this effort.

Before France had entered the war, she had been through a business depression that had been much the same as that experienced by this country in 1931 to 1936. When the government of Premier Blum came into power in 1936, under the Marxian policy of trying out theoretical social reforms, many new policies were put into effect by the government. Some of these were good, and some were bad. The Blum government had been elected by what was called the United Front, and was supposed to represent a workers' government. Remember that just before Premier Blum came into power there was a general strike in France, when 1,000,000 workmen went on strike, just to show the so-called power of the United Front, made up of Radical-Socialists, Socialists and Communists.

When the Blum government came into power, within a period of two months over 70 laws were enacted which were intended to bring the country



Just at a time when France should have been producing for the war, the radical parties called a general strike, which tied up many parts of important French war production.

out of the depression that it had undergone. These laws included wage increases of 7 to 15 per cent; a 40-hour working week; compulsory annual vacations with pay, collective bargaining for workers; the fixing of prices on certain agricultural products. Some of these laws were important, and to a great extent they helped to relieve the problems that faced the country, and to a great extent they were much the same as the many laws that were enacted in this country. But, the important thing that was learned in the experience of France was that such laws can be of great value to a country and to the people who work in the mills; but if they are not watched and are allowed to get out of hand, they can cause great disturbances that, in the end, were some of the reasons for the terrible defeat of France on the battlefield.

If, for instance, it had been possible in France to keep the level of wages so that they did not lessen the production of goods, this might have worked out well. But wages increased so rapidly they actually prevented the country from recovering from its depression, and one well known writer who sympathized with the workers' situation said: "The production of consumer goods shrank as soon as the rise in prices wiped out the increase in purchasing power which the wage earners had obtained after the mass strikes of June 1936." This same writer also said, "In 1935-36 a shortening of the working week was looked to by large masses as the touchstone of every good—prosperity, leisure, abolition of unemployment." But in discussing further the ultimate result of the shorter work week, this same writer said, "In general, the French



Leon Blum, who was French Premier for about two years just preceding the present war. Some of the reforms he instituted, although good, were not adjusted to the demands of wartime production.

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Paul Reynaud tried to mobilize French workers and industry for all-out war production, but the effort came too late. With this fact and as soon as possible.

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labor movement failed to recognize that a rise in individual output was the necessary complement of the legal reduction in working hours."

To put what this person said in plainer terms, the forty hour work week was a good thing, but to be successful for the people who benefited by it, and to produce the things that France needed, it was necessary at the same time for each worker to produce *more*, in order to make up for the smaller amount of actual time that was spent in production.

The writer who has just been mentioned also said, in discussing this same subject, "It is probably true, too, that the rising Communist influence in some areas aggravated the tendency toward increased productivity. Certain 'colonized' unions adopted the 'slow-down' or outright soldiering. Strikes for political motives became more frequent. There was a prolonged strike atmosphere in industrial centers, and this tended to decrease productivity."

On April 8, 1938, when it was evident in France that everything would have to be focussed on producing for the war, the Blum government resigned. But just prior to this time, while the French were taken up with their own internal fights and bickering, Hitler walked into Austria on March 12, 1938. And, just to show what the turmoil in France resulted in during the years of the failure to balance social reforms with the needs of the country, French production of goods in 1937 fell to a point more than 25% less than they were in 1929. In great contrast to this, the Nazis in 1937

had increased their output of all goods—obviously to be used in the war—over 20 per cent!

Following the fall of the Blum government, the people of France elected Daladier as Premier, and he tried to change the chaotic condition of the country, and to try to get it in line to produce for the war. Under the direction of the Finance Minister, Paul Reynaud, every effort was made to put the entire country on a war basis, and to produce all the armaments, textiles, planes, and equipment needed for the war effort.

While this change was put into effect, Hitler occupied Moravia and Bohemia, and Daladier mobilized France's whole industry by decree for war. As a result, the working week became 45 to 60 hours, as required, overtime pay was cut down drastically, skilled labor was conscripted, and greatly increased taxes for everyone were put into effect. But the great national effort came too late, and France went down principally because her people were not prepared to produce all the essential goods needed for war.

What happened to France cannot happen here—unless we ignore the experience of France, and fail to use every effort to produce and produce for the war. We will have to make sacrifices, probably greater than we've ever known, and just what form they will take, no one can tell now. The important thing is to be ready for them, to accept them as part of the price of victory. The complete assurance that both industry and labor in this area are willing to make these sacrifices together, is the greatest hope that under no circumstances shall we have to undergo the great travail that has afflicted France. But the way is not easy, and it's up to everyone to be sure that the pitfalls that ruined a glorious nation, do not befall us.



French children preparing to leave Paris, about two years ago. The course that France took should have an important lesson for the people of the United States who are grimly at war today.

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## GROUPS GET INSTRUCTIONS FOR A. R. P. PROGRAM

ROOM MONITORS WILL CONDUCT  
EMPLOYEES TO SAFETY  
AND SHELTER AREAS

Complete planning for employee and plant protection is the aim of the A.R.P. program and this work is progressing rapidly at the Biddeford plant as at all the other plants of Pepperell. Equipment is being made and purchased and the personnel is receiving competent instructions.

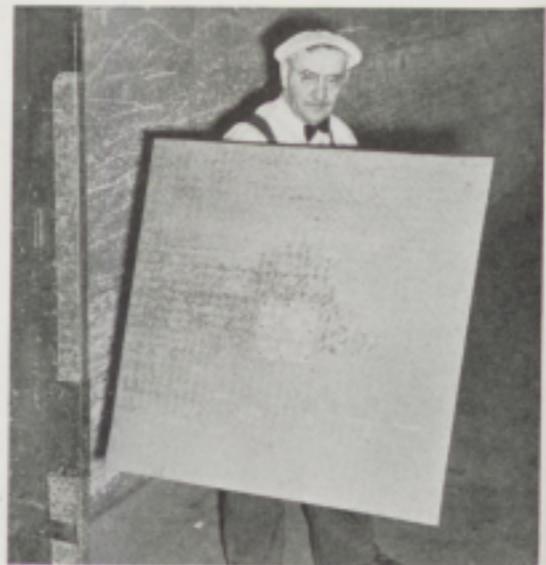
### *Watchers and Fire Brigade Group Important People*

Working in conjunction with the local civic authorities, the roof watchers and firemen of the Biddeford plant are receiving instructions, twice each week at the city fire station. These instructions are to provide the men with practical plans and information necessary to protect the employees and plant from undue casualties and damage. It is understandable that there cannot be any one plan that fits all situations to perfection, therefore it is obvious that these groups will absorb the basic principles devoted to incendiaries and then apply them for mill use.

The duties to be performed by these groups are responsible ones, for the lives of a large number of operatives may be dependent on how they exercise their duties. The goal of air raid precautions is not confined wholly to casualties and damage, but includes prevention of interruption in vital industrial production.

### *Equipment for A. R. P. Groups*

Precautionary measures are being taken to supply these men with proper equipment for their



As a precautionary measure of safety for roof watchers, this sheet iron shield will be used when approaching an incendiary to prevent any flying hot particles from touching them. Edward Patry of the Biddeford Plant demonstrates by holding the handle which also will serve as a brace to rest on a floor or roof.

own protection as well as necessary implements to deal with incendiaries and fire. Each man at the Biddeford plant will be supplied with a rain-coat, steel helmet, asbestos gloves, gas mask, an identification badge and cloth arm badge showing his office. They will also have long handled shovels and an ample supply of stirrup pumps together with other necessary equipment to meet the necessities of counter measures to prevent fire. As an added precautionary measure against incendiaries, watchers will be furnished with a sheet iron shield, three feet square and a brace for a standard. Roof watchers when advancing toward a fallen incendiary, will hold the shield in front of them as a protection against flying hot particles from a "spattering" bomb. The watcher will set the shield on the roof or floor and from behind it, he will attack the bomb with the stirrup pump. Other watchers will supply the pump with water, which is located a safe distance from the fallen incendiary.

### *Watchers To Have Bird's-Eye View of Plant Buildings*

During the first shift at the Biddeford plant and similarly operated by the other mills, there will be eight stations on the highest roofs of the buildings overlooking their immediate vicinity.

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During the second and third shifts, because of the darkness, there will be 17 stations on the roofs. It is the duty of these roof watchers to report any bombs falling and striking in their vicinity and to fight them until the fire brigade arrives.

These groups, as all others, are entirely voluntary on the part of employees and shows splendid cooperation in our common war effort.

#### *Plant Organization of Wardens and Monitors*

Operating under the Chief Warden is the Overseer who is the Department Warden. Coordinating with his efforts are the department's Deputy Wardens who are the Overseers' right hand men, and who have volunteered their services or been selected for the duties. Assistant Deputy Wardens and Monitors who have volunteered their services will head up the groups of employees to evacuate them to selected safety zones and shelter areas. It is the Monitors duty to conduct the people to a prescribed location of safety and to make certain that all employees of his group are present and that none are left at their work. This is where all employees' cooperation will be appreciated by the Monitor.

#### *Safeguarding the Employees and Plant Buildings*

The men in the fire brigade, as well as the roof watchers, will be furnished with proper equipment to attack the bombs by the prescribed methods as taught in the training program and safety lectures. The fire brigade has had the same training as the watchers but in addition they will be drilled in the proper handling of all fire apparatus inside the plant. All material and equipment for these forces will be painted with a small red and white jangle with the lettering A.R.P. on it and is to be used only by these two branches of the A.R.P.

#### *The Reason for an A.R.P. Program*

Some people believe that we on the East Coast will not be attacked, while others believe the contrary; but in any event, the Managements of our plants are taking all necessary measures to safeguard employees and plant buildings in the event of an attack. The whole idea of the A.R.P. program is for the Pepperell plants to fight their own fires and thus relieve the city fire fighting forces of this duty. In this way the City Fire Department will be greatly relieved and permit more apparatus to attend to civilian requirements.



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Fire Chief Eugene T. Ricker spoke before the Foremen's Club at Biddeford on the subject of incendiary bombs. The sample he holds is true to shape and dimensions. He expressed his thoughts that there is an unnecessary amount of fear from these bombs when a common firecracker can do more damage than a controlled incendiary.

#### *Eight Duties of an Employee*

To all workers in industrial plants, the plant protection division of the Office of Civilian Defense issued the following instructions relative to the employees' conduct in the event of an air raid:

1. Keep working until our air-raid alarm is sounded, then —
2. Take cover.
3. Keep cool and help others to keep cool.
4. Don't shout. Listen to the air-raid warden.
5. Take the necessary safety measures for your machine and tools.
6. Fight incendiaries if you know how.
7. Remain "alert" in the prescribed safe place until the "all clear" signal is given, then return to work.
8. Remember that this is a war of production and that production must continue. Your plant is taking every precaution for your safety.

**LEARNING HOW THE INCENDIARY BOMB WORKS**

Roof watchers and members of the fire brigade at the Biddeford Plant are receiving weekly instructions on incendiaries at the City Fire Station. Engineer Ralph Wiship describes an incendiary to Joseph Bedard, John Nadeau, Maurice

Bouthillette, Paul Luden and Cyril Angers. Splendid cooperation is shown by these employees in volunteering their services in our common war effort, and all other employees should rest at ease, knowing that they will be well taken care of.

The two best methods of putting out the Incendiary Bomb is, First with a spray from a Stirrup or Indian Pump. The spray supplies oxygen to the bomb and makes it burn up much faster and at the same time wets down the floor and surrounding objects, thus putting out any fire that might be started. CAUTION: Never put a solid stream of water on an Incendiary Bomb. It will make the bomb explode, throwing burning Magnesium all over the room, and instead of one fire to put out you will have a dozen to put out.

The Second method is with Sand. Make a bed of sand several inches thick next to the bomb, cover the bomb with sand, then with a shovel pick up the bomb and place on the bed of sand.

The bomb and sand can then be disposed of either by putting it in the sand box or throwing it out of the window on the ground. If a fire has been started you can then take a hose or a water bucket and put out the fire.

CAUTION: Be careful not to come in contact with any part of the bomb, as a very severe burn will result due to the high temperature of the burning Magnesium, about 4,000 to 5,000 degrees Fahrenheit.

Under no circumstances should a fire extinguisher be used. Many contain 95% water and the magnesium will extract the oxygen. Chemical extinguishers act with the materials in the incendiary and form a deadly gas.

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PEPPERELL MEN  
NOW SERVING IN  
OUR ARMED FORCES

WRITE AND TELL  
ALL THE NEWS ABOUT  
THEIR HOME TOWN

The Sheet takes great pride in presenting the names of employees who have relinquished their duties at the plants to serve in Uncle Sam's fighting forces. We at home think that life is pretty hard, but think what these men are going through even under the best of conditions. The very least we can do is to defend the home front by keeping these boys supplied with necessary commodities and materials and by saving all that we can, to avoid all possible waste.

Men who have been in the training camps during the past year have complained that their friends back home fail to write. They want to know what is going on in their home town. If the readers will contact Mr. Morris of Fall River, Mr. Vaughn at Lewiston, or Mr. Howard at Biddeford, they will cheerfully give the addresses of these men listed below. Do it now and write that Soldier, Sailor or Marine tonight.

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ames B. Butler  
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dolphe Lepage  
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nry Mason

Joseph J. Medeiros  
Raymond Morrissette  
Armand Nolet  
Aime R. Paquin  
Norman Proulx  
Herbert B. Reid, Jr.  
Norman P. Rigby  
Omer Roberts  
Ulric A. Robillard, Jr.  
Antone O. Silvia  
John Soares  
Norman A. Thibault  
Lucian Vermette  
Leo Vaillancourt  
Henry J. Zagaja

LEWISTON

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Joseph Lavoie  
Charles Libby  
Loren Lorentzen  
Asa S. Lyons, Jr.  
Albert O'Brien  
John O'Connell  
Louis O'Connell  
Arthur Pare  
William Parkin  
Maurice Pelletier  
Fred Pettengill  
Omer St. Jean  
Donald Shufeldt  
Walter Sylvester  
Paul Whitten

BIDDEFORD

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d Beaudoin  
Beaulieu

Robert J. Beaulieu  
Roland Begin  
Armand Bergeron

Henry Bertrand  
Lionel Bertrand  
Aurele A. Berube  
Raymond R. Berube  
Raymond Boissonault  
Gerard G. Boisvert  
Paul M. Boisvert  
Bertrand Breton  
Maurice Cadorette  
Laurent Caret  
Roland Carrier  
Ernest Collard  
Paul E. Coompagna  
Hervey Cookson  
Robert Cote  
Leonard A. Courtois  
Emile Couture  
Joseph Dentico  
Lionel Dionne  
George F. Dow  
Joseph Dube  
Raynald Dube  
Alexandre Dusseault  
Gerald F. Emery  
Robert Fectean  
James A. Ferguson  
Paul A. Frechette  
George Gamache  
Gerald Garon  
Albert L. Gosselin  
Raymond Gosselin  
Roland Goulet  
Louis P. Grenier  
Norman R. Harvey  
Rene Hevey  
Walter Hood  
Remie Jariz  
Roland Lambert  
Raymond Lemay

Willie Ledoux  
Abram B. Levensailor  
Albert Maurice  
John M. Mogan  
Joseph C. Montgomery  
Edward Montembeau  
Emile Montembeau  
Alfred E. Moreau  
Alfred Morin  
Emelien Morin  
Gerald G. Nason  
Percy R. Newhall  
Archille Ouellette  
Real Parenteau  
Maurice Parisien  
Merle F. Pelkey  
Paul Pelletier  
Ernest G. Perfect  
Urbain Perreault  
Lucien A. Provencher  
Frank L. Phillips  
Rene Remillard  
Armand J. Rich  
Edmund E. Rowell  
Robert Roy  
Conrad St. Onge  
Raoul Soulard  
Victor Soulard  
Henry Tangney  
Gerard Tardif  
Roland Tardif  
Jordan A. Tartikoff  
Othon Terlialis  
Rene J. Thibault  
Martial J. Thibault  
Albert Trudeau, Jr.  
Roland Vaillancourt  
Noel Valliere

## ENTER AMERICA'S CONSERVATION PROGRAM TODAY

USE EVERY MACHINE PART  
UNTIL IT IS ENTIRELY  
WORN OUT

To show just how fast industry must produce supplies for our Government is to have an airplane rolling off the assembly line every four minutes—a tank every seven minutes and two ships a day. We at Pepperell have a job to do too, for we must supply these industries with fabrics to finish fine machinery in tanks, guns, planes, ships, etc. We must make sheets for the army camps, Zelan finished poplin for windbreakers for land and air forces, herringbone twills for fatigue uniforms for the mechanized forces, canton flannels for outside dressings on bandages and also needed in powder plants, drills for pockets in uniforms, shoe linings for army shoes, sanforized chambrays for fatigue shirts worn by the U. S. Navy, to form a partial list for ultimate uses of these fabrics. Pepperell employees have a definite job to do and these employees are as important to our nation as the employees building planes, tanks, guns and ships.

The Pepperell mills are hard at work on huge government contracts involving millions of yards of Pepperell fabrics for our Army and Navy. Times are urgent, responsibilities great. Effort united. Military needs are given preference and that is the way we all want it. All of us are playing a part in this battle of production. If you prefer, let it be said that you are a soldier of production.

### Does Your Machine Talk Back?

Since Pepperell is very definitely working on materials pertinent to our nation's freedom, it presents a difficult problem of proper upkeep of manufacturing facilities that must be used 24 hours a day with hardly a chance to "cool-off". The real difficulty, as time goes on, is to secure material and machinery supplies such as gears, ball bearings,



Pieces of machinery that have been broken and totally unusable will be treated as junk and hauled off in a truck as this picture shows. However, it is very necessary to salvage all parts possible before classifying it as junk, for it is patriotic to save.

steel, leather and rubber materials. All parts should be carefully watched to see that moving parts are properly oiled; and the very least any employee can do is to report the failure or "suspicious behavior" of his machine. To keep machinery running requires proper maintenance of equipment. By so doing will lessen the problem of maintenance.

### *Fit Machinery Parts with Care and Common Sense*

Maintenance men such as machinists and Fixers in all the rooms should be more careful in fitting gears correctly. Do not force or hammer them on to the shaft. With the right size gear and no obstruction on the shaft, the gear will fit properly. Hammering may break that last gear of its type in the stock room and may cause a Card, Spinning Frame or Loom to be stopped for an indefinite period, thus losing many valuable production hours and preventing some man in our Armed Forces from receiving the fabric he is waiting for. A little more care, common sense and proper fitting will do much to save on metals so vitally needed in our war efforts.

### *Ideas Help End Waste — And Pay Cash*

If victory is to be ours in this war, we must be resourceful, diligent and waste-preventing people. We need go no further than our own job to help

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All waste paper can be collected and baled such as Albert Beauchesne is doing at the Fall River plant. This paper was wrapped around the cones of rayon yarn. Do not save wasted or cellophane paper.

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win the war. The Suggestion Box System, which pays people for thinking, provides a "Clearing house" for good thoughts or ideas to be placed in actual practice. Material saved by you may turn up later in a gun, tank or plane. The man or woman behind the machine knows how to operate it, save parts and to prevent lost time due to breakdowns. You are that man or woman. Tell your company what you think.

**Waste Is Sabotage**

Just how much and how fast Pepperell products



OEM Defense Photo  
Trainload after trainload of scrap metal is being received by melting furnaces, to be made into war equipment. We've got to help increase this pile of scrap, to make more guns, shells, and bombs.

can be delivered to our government depends largely on how well we can SAVE. New parts carelessly handled and broken; partially worn out parts that were thrown out; or parts that can be re-used; all being discarded as useless can be used in bombs, BUT—they will not weave cloth that the Forces want, supply the industries which make guns, tanks, planes and ships or furnish the hospitals with outside dressings. Everyone in America tomorrow will feel the loss by waste we made today.



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Here's how scrap is baled, to save space in shipping to iron smelters. The process is much like that of baling cotton. See the large square pellet of scrap iron in the center of photo.



This gear in peace time would be thrown away, but now it is saved, because the teeth are still very good. Though a piece is broken out of the gear, it can be easily used to good advantage. Leo Labrecque has saved many such pieces of loom equipment in repairing the looms.

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Albert Christen is oiling a cylinder shaft on a spinning frame. A few drops of oil will greatly save in prolonging the wear of parts, but a few extra and unnecessary drops of oil is pure waste for it will drop on the floor and in some cases clog the machinery.

**Add This Do Not List to Yours**

*DO NOT* throw away any part until it is entirely worn out.

*DO NOT* throw away worn parts, no matter how small. Collect and return to stock room for junk.

*DO NOT* replace a slightly worn part, because there is another in stock. Wait until it is worn out.

*DO NOT* overlook the power of observation. If a part wears out frequently, study the cause and make recommendations.

*DO NOT* allow bobbins on the floor. Wood like metals are fighting this war.

*DO NOT* throw away shuttle eyes and springs from worn out or broken shuttles.

*DO NOT* waste oil, cotton, electricity, etc.

*DO NOT* throw any parts around to cause breakage. All parts are going to be difficult to get at any price.

*DO NOT* save waxed paper and cellophane. *SAVE* newspapers, cardboard boxes and common waste paper.

*DO NOT* waste any materials. If you do, you help the enemy.

*DO NOT* let it be said that we are supporting a sixth column—the waste column.



Machine parts that are broken and unusable can be put in a box which is located in each room or department and then disposed of as junk. (Many leather pieces from loom parts can be salvaged and reused.) Gerard Valade is dropping a broken gear into a box for such a purpose.



The Navy needs the iron that's made from scrap, and needs it now. Save all scraps of iron, brass, steel, leather, cotton, wool.



Norman P. Rigby, formerly employed as a bobbin stripper in the Fall River Mill. All men in the armed forces require a large amount of materials that heretofore was at industries' disposal. Let's save for the boys in the Army.

## BISHOP CASSIDY TELLS EXPERIENCES AT EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

### DISCOVERS JAPS PLANNED U. S. ATTACK 50 YEARS AGO

The Most Reverend James E. Cassidy, Bishop of the Fall River, Massachusetts, Diocese, attended the Eucharistic Congress at Manila in 1937, and during the voyage he encountered many experiences and anecdotes that revealed the character of the Japanese whom we are now vigorously fighting. Recently Bishop Cassidy has had some of these sketches, which concern his trip, printed in booklet form, and the quotations that follow are from this booklet.

#### FOREWORD

These sketches are written to make it plain

(a) That Japan had been plotting and planning and scheming for a half century to humiliate our country and to drive it out of the Asian Pacific.

(b) That nothing that our country did, could have done, or did not do, could have averted this struggle.

(c) That while our country's attention was mostly devoted to peace and the things of leisure Japan was quietly and secretly gathering its energies for war and the things of conquest.

(d) That what Japan lacks in numbers and resources she makes up in years of preparation and accumulation of the resources of others.

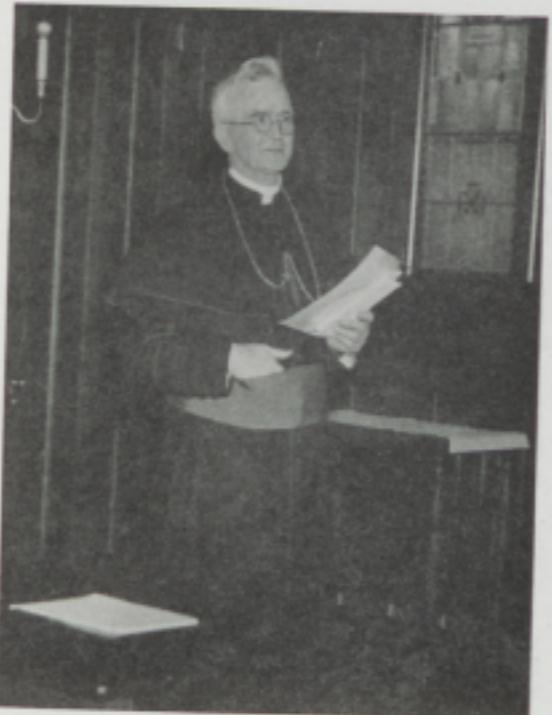
(e) That we face a fanatic enemy in a long, bitter and bloody struggle; an enemy that sees in death for the Mikado eternal bliss.

(f) That only sacrifice without stint, spirit of unbreakable determination and readiness to give up everything but our faith and our honor will bring us, through victory, to a just peace.

#### I.

#### NINETEENTH CENTURY

In the latter year of the last century the writer was a member of the teaching staff of the newly



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When Bishop Cassidy attended the Eucharistic Congress at Manila in 1937, he brought back many stories which confirmed the aggressive actions of the Japanese in the Pacific. Several of these anecdotes are on this page.

founded seminary of the Archdiocese of New York at Yonkers, N. Y.—St. Joseph's Seminary.

About the year 1897 there came to the seminary an European missionary returning to his native land and home after twenty years of missionary life in Japan. The reader will recall that the Chino-Japanese war had ended but a few years before (1894-1895).

One morning at the breakfast table the conversation turned on this war. One of the professors remarked: "Well! Japan did not have in this war a foe worthy of its steel." "No", said the missionary, "but it will have one day." "Who will it be?" asked the professor. "Your country! The United States" answered the missionary. "My country!" said our fellow professor: "What have we to do with Japan on the other side of the Pacific? That is ridiculous!" "I hope it may be ridiculous," said the missionary, "but I fear it will eventuate. I have been teaching high-class boys in Japan for seventeen years and the authorities have drilled it in to everyone of them that they must beget a people to one day 'lick' the United States."

December 7, 1941, after three-quarters of a cen.  
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tury of preparation, Japan decided that the opportune time had come.

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## CHINA'S SHANGHAI

How my heart aches when I think of Shanghai, of the poor and the afflicted and the helpless and the sick and the homeless,—covering the land and the sea with their famished bodies and in their defenselessness visited in an attack of gun-fire and bombing from invading Japanese by such a sudden fire as though the very sun had burst and poured its gaseous, molten contents out upon their homes and heads! It would be vain for any one to attempt to picture in word or paint the agonies of that Japanese assault, duplicated on an hundred other Chinese communities and in much reduced minia-

ture on Pearl Harbor.  
Years before when the Japanese first invaded Manchuria (when the United States would have resisted while others acquiesced), the writer discussed the incident with Mr. Charles R. Crane, (One of the 'Triumvirate' during the World War, with President Wilson and Colonel House) one-time Ambassador to China from the United States. "What are the Japanese going to do, Mr. Crane?" "What are they going to do?", Mr. Crane answered: "This is but the beginning. The Japanese have no business in Manchuria. There are no Japanese there. But mark my words, it is but the beginning. The Japanese will not stop until they have taken every port in China." Was Mr. Crane right? And I wonder if his great mind envisaged even Hong Kong! And if it even reached out into the Pacific and foresaw the conquest of American possessions with almost the same ease, at least temporarily, as of the coast of China. Had I thought so, I would have asked him, with his wide knowledge of men, if he thought Americans could 'take it' as heroically as have the Chinese.



The punchbowl cross where religious services are held on Easter Sunday morning, in Honolulu. This photo was sent in by Aime Paquin, former Fall River employee, now stationed in the Army in that locality.

**OUR SHEETS NOW  
WRAPPED IN PAPER  
IN DOZEN LOTS**

RELEASES 768,436 LBS. OF PAPER  
STOCK TO GOVERNMENT



Here are the new bands that replace the boxes, formerly used to package Lady Pepperell Sheets and pillow cases. Over 768,000 pounds of paper stock will go into war production instead of into sheet boxes.

As one of the first steps in curtailing the use of materials required for the War, Pepperell decided several months ago to discontinue the use of the attractive boxes in which Lady Pepperell and others of our sheets had been packaged. The saving in pulp board, which is important to the War was the reason for cutting out the boxes.

Now that the supply of boxes has been practically used up, these sheets are going to be sent out wrapped with brown paper in dozens, with each two sheets held together with an attractive red, white and blue band. As a result of discontinuing the boxes, Pepperell alone will release for government use, 768,436 pounds of paper stock.

## LITHOGRAPHED POSTERS CARRY STRONG PATRIOTIC MESSAGES

PLACED ON BULLETIN BOARDS  
IN ALL PLANTS

A group of patriotic posters, lithographed in attractive colors, has been posted in conspicuous locations throughout our plants. Each poster tells a definite story, and is printed to offset the propaganda that the enemy would like us to believe. Enemy propaganda that would try to separate us from our allies; or the old story of divide and conquer. We must not or will not allow this to happen if we expect to win this war. The very words United States mean unity between the states and their people. Unity starts with U.

### *President's Speech Built Around These Posters*

Those of us who were privileged to listen to President Roosevelt on February 23rd will note

that his address was built around these posters. Defense of the sea, the air, the field, begins in the factory. Said our President, "We are coming to realize that one extra plane, or extra tank or extra gun or extra ship completed tomorrow may in a few months turn the tide on some distant battlefield; it may make the difference between life and death for some of our fighting men . . . And we can lose this war only if we slow up our effort or if we waste our ammunition sniping at each other." Since Pepperell is weaving cloth vital to defense, we employees can help to produce that extra plane, gun, tank or ship by not wasting materials or machinery parts, not remaining at home with petty illnesses, and by turning a deaf ear to rumormongers.

### *Building a Secret Weapon*

May we call your especial attention to the poster "The Enemy Is Listening", distributed by the F.B.I. and the Army and Navy departments. If you know that your son, grandson or nephew has left our country and where he is, keep it to yourself. The enemy wants to know this.

During the past two years, we have heard a lot about secret weapons. Whether you know it or not, every Pepperell employee is building a secret weapon that will help to win the war. That secret weapon is MORALE. Congress can't vote it. Money can't buy it, but we can each build it,



This group of patriotic posters is placed on the bulletin board in the Biddeford Employment Office, with each poster telling a story of its own. If you haven't already looked at them closely,

do so, for all these have been posted in every room at the plant. Special attention is drawn to the poster in the center, warning Americans to maintain silence on defense information.

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**CEILING PRICES  
PUT ON ALL  
SHEETS AND CASES****PEPPERELL OBSERVES  
OPA RULING**

On February 2, 1942, Mr. Leon Henderson, Administrator of the Office of Price Administration, put into effect prices for sheeting, sheets and pillow cases above which no manufacturer can sell. These are commonly called "ceiling" prices, for they put a limit on the top price of sheets. This was the first of a series of anticipated price ceilings to be put into effect on any commodities, including at a later time canned goods and some meats. The selection of sheets and pillow cases as the first commodities to be affected by government price control indicates the attention that the government has directed to the manufacture and sale of these goods.

***Cloth Construction Data Necessary  
Under Ruling***

Under this new price schedule, four types of sheets and pillow cases are listed, ranging from those that have a thread count of 112 per square inch, to those with a thread count of 180 to the square inch. The OPA has also set definite specifications concerning weight per square yard, tensile strength of warp and filling, per cent of sizing, and other details which each sheet must equal if it is to be accepted in one or the other of these groups. To determine the price of a given sheet or pillow case, it is necessary first to select the type on which the price is desired and what size is wanted.

***Top Price on Sheets Tied in With  
Cost of Raw Cotton***

Then the price of spot cotton for the previous day is used as a base, and from a schedule prepared by the government, the discount to be deducted from the list price is determined, using the price of raw cotton as the indicator. This means that the top price of sheets and pillow cases is tied in closely with the price of raw cotton, and will fluctuate, within certain limits, as the price of raw cotton goes up or down each day. No manufacturer, regardless of changes in his own costs, except that in the cost of cotton, is allowed to sell sheeting, sheets and pillow cases above these prices.

**MAGNETIC SEPARATOR  
EXTRACTS METAL  
FROM RAW COTTON****AID TOWARD FIRE PREVENTION**

Philip Martel of Biddeford is pointing to the little black box which contains the magnetic separator. Any metallic pieces in the cotton passing the magnet will be drawn out and "stick" to the magnet.

Located in the Opening Room of the Biddeford plant is the Dings Magnetic Separator. This simple but effective device draws all metallic pieces from the raw cotton that might otherwise cause fires during the processing of the cotton.

Attached to the side of the pipe through which the cotton is blown to the Picker Department, is the electrical magnet which does this highly important job. Although this instrument has not been in use very long, its effectiveness has been proven to the management. In its periodical cleaning pieces of strapping, nails, screws, bottle caps and other pieces of metal have been found clinging to the magnet. All these could have started a fire by hitting against the pipe and causing a spark which would ignite the cotton.

Fire can cause tremendous damage to a plant and can put many people out of work for a considerable length of time. Every potential cause of fire must be eliminated and any employee who sees a possible fire cause should report it to his foreman at once.

**THICK OR THIN—IT'S  
STILL BEEF AND  
IT'S ALWAYS GOOD**

STUDY THIS DIAGRAM  
TO LEARN YOUR BEEF I.Q.

The most popular cuts of beef are listed below and shown at the right. We suggest you read this over and note their location on the chart.

**STANDING RIB ROAST**, distinguished by the rib bones and the large muscle, called "rib-eye."

**ROLLED RIB ROAST**, made by boning the standing ribs and rolling into a neatly-tied roll.

Both of these cuts come from the "rib" cut of beef.

Both are cooked by the first basic method of cookery—by dry heat—i.e. roasting.

There are several different steak-cuts to beef:

**SIRLOIN STEAKS** are cut from the sirloin section of the beef loin (called the loin end); they differ in size, muscle structure, amount and shape of bone.

**THE PIN-BONE STEAK**, the smallest of the sirloin steaks, lies next to the short loin; other sirloin steak cuts—they lie between the pin bone and wedge bone—include DOUBLE and ROUND BONE, tender cuts, perfect for quick, dry-heat cookery . . . i.e. broiling.

**ROLLED RUMP POT-ROAST** is made by removing all the bones from the rump and rolling and tying it into a compact roll which makes it easy to carve; like the standing rump with bone, the rolled rump depends on braising for tenderizing and bringing out the fine flavor.

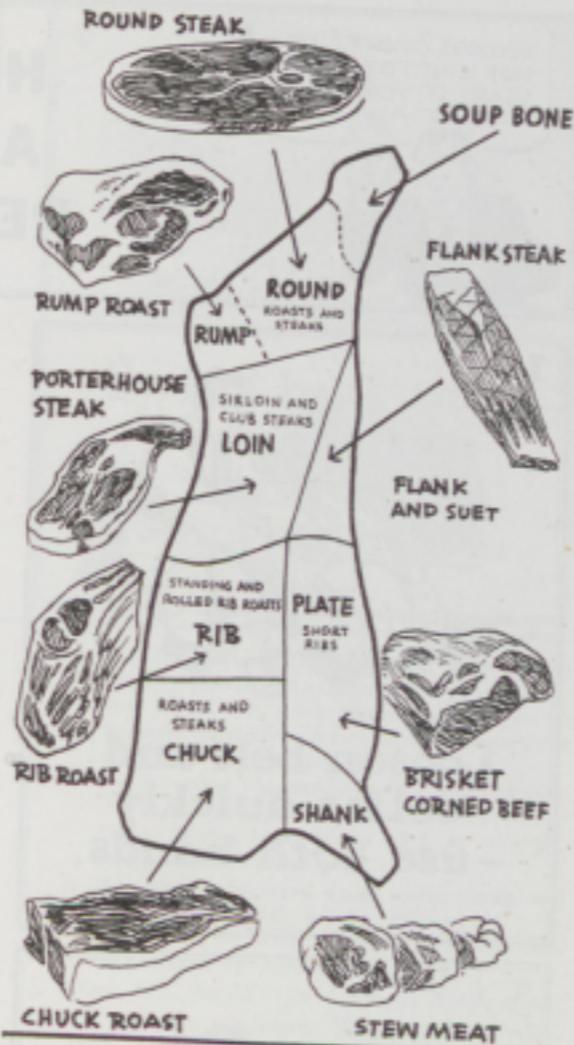
Other cuts of beef, including the steak-cuts, which are braised instead of broiled are:

**FLANK STEAK**, a thin wedge-shaped piece of meat without bone from the beef flank, and characterized by long, lengthwise fibers.

**ROUND STEAK**, oval in shape, with a small round bone, and practically all lean meat; in some markets it is divided into top and bottom rounds.

**HEEL OF ROUND**, a boneless, three-cornered cut from the lower part of the beef round, makes excellent pot-roasts, weighing from three to five pounds; it also may be cut up for stew or ground for meat loaf (long, slow cooking is the rule for heel of round).

**THE BLADE CUT**, the most tender portion of the chuck cut, and the ARM, easily recognized because it contains a small round bone and the ends of



At a glance, this chart tells you where the different cuts of beef come from. And on this page, the most popular cuts are described. Buy wisely to keep strong and to save money. Chart and article reprinted through courtesy of American Cookery.

three to five ribs, are two additional thrift-cut pot-roasts (the rib ends distinguish the arm pot-roast from the round, and a small round muscle, near the round bone, and surrounded by connective tissue is another identifying feature).

Three beef-cuts which are definitely in the thrift-cut class and are excellent for braising with vegetables or for stews are:

**BEEF BRISKET**, which is identified by its flat shape and alternate layers of lean and fat.

**BEEF PLATE**, a long, thin piece with layers of lean and fat and containing rib bones.

**CROSS-CUT BEEF SHANKS**, small pieces, containing a cross section of the shank bone.

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SECONDS COUNT! DO  
NOT WAIT FOR HELP.  
START IT YOURSELF.  
RIGHT AWAY!

## HOW TO DO ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION



1  
Loosen belt and  
collar quickly  
—use both hands.



2  
Place head on one  
arm with face  
turned to side.  
Extend other arm  
over head.



3  
Take position  
(shown above) astride  
patient's hips.



4  
Place hands on  
lower ribs.

(BE SURE THAT YOU ARE IN SUCH  
A POSITION THAT WHEN YOU  
SWING FORWARD TO APPLY  
PRESSURE YOUR ARMS ARE  
STRAIGHT AND AT A RIGHT  
ANGLE TO PATIENT'S BODY.)

5



**Swing forward from your knees and press firmly with hands.**

6



**Swing back and remove pressure without removing hands.**

**STUDY THIS FOR REFERENCE**

- Q. What is Artificial Respiration?  
A. It is the causing of air to pass in and out of the lungs by manual means.
- Q. When should I do Artificial Respiration?  
A. Whenever a person has stopped breathing.
- Q. What causes a person to stop breathing?  
A. 1—Drowning  
2—Electric shock  
3—Fumes—gas—carbon monoxide, etc.  
4—Shock from severe injury  
5—Something too tight around throat or chest
- Q. When shall I start Artificial Respiration?  
A. Just as soon as you reach the person—seconds count—they may make the difference between life and death. Do not wait for help—start it yourself right on the spot and keep it up until a doctor arrives.
- Q. How do I do Artificial Respiration?  
A. You carry out the following steps:  
1.—Free mouth of all foreign material such as false teeth—gum—food, etc.  
2.—Loosen belt and collar quickly—use both hands—See Picture No. 1.  
3.—Turn patient quickly but gently onto face—watching out for broken bones in arms or legs.  
4.—Place head on one arm with face turned to side—extend other arm over head—See Picture No. 2.  
5.—Stride patient's hips as in Picture No. 3.
- 6.—Place hands on lower ribs, with fingers resting on ribs, the little finger just touching lowest rib, with thumb and fingers in natural position and tips of fingers just out of sight. Picture No. 4.  
Be sure that you are in such a position that when you swing forward to apply pressure your arms are straight and at a right angle to patient's body.
- 7.—Swing forward from your knees and press firmly with hands—Picture 5.
- 8.—Swing back and remove pressure without removing hands—Picture 6.
- Q. How fast should I do Artificial Respiration?  
A. 10-14 times a minute. Doing it faster tires both the injured person and the operator. Count one—two—three—slowly while pressing—then one—two—three—slowly while resting.
- Q. How much pressure shall I use?  
A. Only enough to force air in and out of lungs. Judge this by the size and age of the injured person. Great care should be used with children and elderly persons—or ribs may be broken and serious injury result.
- Q. If I get tired how shall another person take my place?  
A. Have them place their hands on yours to get the rhythm—then while you both continue, change places. Thus when your hands are finally removed, the rhythm has not been lost.
- Q. How long shall I keep it up?  
A. Until a doctor arrives and orders you to stop—This may mean a matter of hours.

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## OLD TIMERS CHALK UP ONE POINT VICTORY OVER REGULAR TEAM

### CONCLUDES SEASON'S BASKETBALL GAMES

Just to prove that men are never too old to drop the pill in the basket, basketball stars of two decades and more ago gathered at the Fall River Boys' Club court on March 4th and trounced the young whippersnappers to a score of 25 to 24. The young old-men known as the Old Timers, played the regular Pepperell team who represented that plant in the industrial city league.

Great credit is due the oldsters for sticking out through the whole game as two had not played for 23 years. Tom Reid had never played the game before but four baskets were chalked up to his credit.

#### *Brief Description of Each Old Timer*

"Sparks" Buckley, as spry after the game as when stepping out in the American Legion parade, is a



An action shot of the game as Tom Reid heads the ball for a basket. It was no accident for he got four baskets during the game although he had never played the game before. Great sports, these Fall River fellows.



This is the Old Timers' team before they entered the game. Great credit is due them for playing through the entire game. Standing: Tom Reid, Leo Durand, John Buckley. Kneeling: Romeo Ouellette and Capt. Harold Marston.

veteran of the sport, for 35 years ago he won a medal for the most consecutive points scored in one game. While a soldier boy in the last war, serving with the 301st Engineers Corps, he played for the championship at Brest, France. As a baseball star, he was awarded a medal for a triple play unassisted, though this was before the new infield fly ruling.

Romeo Ouellette, the congenial canteen man, served his fellow players with gusto, thinking that the "Little Pill" was one of the many donuts he sells. Fat Durand, the youngster of the oldsters and weighing in at 224 pounds, continuously cornered three men of the opposing team which greatly aided the high scoring for the Old Timers. Capt. Buck Marston, fresh from a season of coaching the young blood of the plant, showed them how and when to do it as he had tried to explain all season.

#### *Now It Can Be Told*

Pat Lovitt, water-boy for the outfit, was kept busy between periods dashing buckets of water on the men to revive them for the next quarter. Coach Harold Murphy sat in the balcony to attain a bird's-eye view of the game and to signal the team of the next play to make.

After a brisk rub down in milk and cinders and consuming three quarts of liniment, the Old Timers had gained their second wind enough to reveal two secrets. One, that they had been covered with vaseline to slide off their opponents and that the cafeteria had served them spinach for the past two weeks.

## WHO'S WHO IN BIDDEFORD

PRESCOTT L. HOWARD, *Editor-in-Chief*

### MECHANICAL DEPT.—Biddeford

¶ The Carpenter Shop is pleased to announce that Eugene Lesieur has been made Superintendent of Publicity.

¶ Our police force is right in the groove, for Charles Leach got a tag for parking his car by Capt. Manuel Souza. After being reprimanded by Chief Walter Smith he was placed on probation for three days.

¶ We are pleased to have Amedee Mercier back with us again after being confined to his home by sickness.

¶ That new streamline diet of hard boiled eggs is beginning to take effect with Jim Bradbury.

¶ Fred Grace had his anemic hog killed and in taking home a pork barrel it fell off the car so many times with high wind blowing that he chased it all over Saco.

¶ All the boys are pleased with their identification badges and now claim the best looking group in the plant.

¶ Paul Ploude has returned to work in the electrical department.

¶ Fred Ruel and William Vermette have painted the shop white so they can see in a blackout—not to mention the red.

¶ Roger Bean says he has three more flying lessons before being a full fledged pilot.

¶ Dominic Dentico has a problem to solve. How is he going to tell mustard gas when it smells like garlic, for he would think it his own breath blowing back at him.

¶ Ernest Cole claims at the county fair that one fellow hit the nigger in the back with a bat and Honey hit him on the head with a ball which was the only way they could score a direct hit.

### Walks Down the Middle Aisle

¶ John Colpitts has just one more red corpuscle left and he is going to donate that to Clarence Williams.

¶ Lawrence Cadorette, our jovial Humidity Man, is now on third shift and doing a fine job of it.

¶ Kenneth Foss was one of the fortunate men to go on the all expense trip to the hockey game. He convinced the others in the group to plant a garden and some have already bought some hens and seeds.

¶ Russell Guest and Leo Mathews are wearing worried looks. No wonder—the way Louis Doucette drives them to town.

¶ Your reporters want to thank the boys for the time and effort they are giving in attending the ARP meetings Wednesday nights. We know they will continue the good work for the safety of many of the employees depends on their duties and sound judgment.

¶ Bert Bragdon has shaved his moustache, because of the request from his wife.

¶ Congratulations to Conrad Lemieux on his marriage of March 14th. If he takes all the advice from the boys the little woman won't thank him a bit.

¶ Aldorien Belisle and Joe Verrier figure it's better to deour rather than to take a short cut.

¶ Leonard Whitten, electrician, is not only raising a moustache but beard as well. It's for the duration he says.

¶ According to Dominic Dentico, Fred Grace has owed him a dollar since 1940 and at 6% interest plus insurance the total bill is now \$1.40. If he will pay this at once Dominic will put it into Defense Stamps.



Mrs. Maud Rolqaski and young daughter, Linda Lee, at Peaks Island during the past summer. Maud is employed in the towel cloth room at Biddeford.

### SHEETING CARD ROOM—Biddeford

REPORTERS: Sarah Whitworth, Herbert Sears, Paul Leblond, Oscar Blanchette, Raymond Gendron, Maurice Thompson, Joseph Cook, Emeline Morin.

¶ Great News—Roy Paule of 2-2C Carding is proud to announce the birth of baby twins born February 15th, a boy and a girl. They were named Edward and Jeanne. Four other children beside these two form a happy family, the oldest being only four years of age. This is certainly a good record.

¶ Mrs. Dubois of 2-3B is out sick with the measles. Odd, isn't it.

¶ Mr. Paule, our lap trucker, is looking around for a "Miss". We hope he will find one without too much trouble.

¶ Mrs. Alice Bergeron is out sick. We hope to see her back soon.

¶ Mrs. Pomerleau is back to work after being absent for four weeks.

¶ Miss Jeannette Lamontagne is out to have her teeth extracted. She says that when she has her new set she will go places.

¶ Mrs. Petit who was out for treatment is back to work.

### SLASHING DEPT.—Biddeford

REPORTER: Jean Paul Robege.

¶ E. Watson, Leo Barrette, John Berthiaume, Arthur Allen, Omer Nolette, T. Pombriant have been out sick for a short while. We are glad to have them back on the job.

¶ Max Libby is in the market for a "New Uniform."

¶ Omer Nolette, our reed man, was called away on account of his father's death. Our sympathies to you, Omer.

¶ Alfred Bald (slasher tender) received good news from his son, Armand, who is in Pearl Harbor. Everything is O.K.

¶ J. Johnson, R. Snow, J. P. Robege, E. Kearney, are attending the First Aid Classes at the Pepperell Hall.

¶ Jos. Landry has been transferred to the first shift.

¶ Robert Couture is a new hand on the second shift. Good luck to you, Robert.

¶ Alice Simard is Web Drawing.

¶ Max Libbey attended the Ice Follies in Boston. How did you like the "Follies", Max, old kid?

¶ We understand that our General Second-Hand, Roy Snow, is an expert at fly fishing. We believe that he'll have the opportunity to show his skill in Maine this coming summer.

¶ This Department is 100% on the three shifts for Bonds. Hooray!!!

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**BLANKET SPINNING DEPT.—Biddeford**

REPORTER: *Merilda Bernier.*

¶ Mrs. Rosilda Proulx visited her daughter, Mrs. Rondeau, in Hartford, Conn., recently.  
¶ Mrs. Emma Emard was called to Lewiston upon the death of her cousin.  
¶ Mrs. Rosilda Proulx was called to Manchester, N. H., by the death of her sister, Mrs. Fillion.  
¶ Mrs. Elmire Elie was one of the unfortunates to lose her sister, Mrs. Mailhotte, who died recently.  
¶ We, the employees of 15-3, wish to offer our deepest sympathy to our co-workers, Mrs. Proulx, Mrs. Emard and Mrs. Elie, on their recent bereavement.  
¶ A hearty welcome to Edward Briere but sorry to lose A. Letourneau who has been transferred to the 1st shift. We hope that they will take good care of you, A. L.  
¶ Miss Lillian Cassette was a recent visitor to Hudson, N. H., to attend the ceremony that her sister, Alice, took part in to pronounce her vows of sisterhood. Alice will be remembered by her friends who used to work in 15-3.  
¶ Flash! Laura R. has been seen driving down to Biddeford Pool to see Uncle Sam's boys. How do they look to you, Laura? You certainly have quite a few to pick from. Remember the old saying, "Never put off to tomorrow what you can do today." Good luck to you, old girl.  
¶ The employees of this department express their sincere sympathy to Mrs. Alice Nolette in the recent loss of her brother, Joseph E. Wright, who died in Portland recently.  
¶ Mrs. Elisa Roux had most important business which took her to Portland recently.

**Pvt. Begin At Fort Eustis, Va.**

¶ Employees of the 1st shift are very glad to have A. Letourneau as their yarn boy. But A. L. claims that the women on the first shift are too quiet.

As reporter of 15-3 I discovered that we have in our department a "Fountain of Youth" who is Norman Richards, bobbin boy, Fernand Guilbeault, yarn boy, and A. Letourneau, yarn boy. They are the three cutest and youngest numbers we have ever had in our department.

¶ Pvt. Roland Begin, of Fort Eustis, Virginia, reports that he has a lot of training to do and has to go on guard often despite the fact that he isn't so keen about it. You readers who are interested, watch for Pvt. Begin's picture taken



The many friends of Loraine St. Ours will be pleased to see her picture in the Sheet. Her mother is employed in 131 weave room at Biddeford.

with his gun, in the "Sheet". He looks just grand and I hope you will agree that he is.

¶ Sorry to say that Mrs. Odile Begin is still out due to illness. We do hope she will recover soon.

¶ As reporter of this department I want to express my deepest and most sincere sympathy to those who have had recent bereavements.

**SHEETING CLOTH ROOM—Biddeford**

REPORTER: *Antoinette Hannah, Mary Goldthwaite, and Phyllis Cote.*

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Charles Patrick spent the week end of Feb. 28 in Malden and attended several shows in Boston while there.

¶ Some of the girls are hoping to take off a few pounds during the Lenten Season. Between-meal snacks and trips to the Coca-Cola machine are out. It should help the "figger".

¶ Albert Harvey with some friends spent a Sunday afternoon recently on a sliding party. They went up in the country where there was plenty of room and snow. Magazines, tin signs, etc. were used for sleds. We have only to look back a few years to know that was some fun.

¶ Stella Antonakos is back at work after a short vacation visiting with relatives and friends in Newark, N. J.

¶ The Defense Bond thermometer looks pretty good for it's up to 90% and we hope it reaches 100%. The boys in the service are not stopping at 90%, it's all the way with them.

**Joe Martin Had One Alert**

¶ Blanche Baillargeon and Pauline Boisant were absent from work for a day to attend the funeral of their uncle, Mr. Benson.

¶ Joe Martin has had one alert, it may be a military secret how that big hole came in his umbrella, he says it caught fire from a match during his noon-time smoke.

¶ Our badges are the latest excitement. On the whole the pictures are very good and we like the size of the button.

¶ Mary Morris is back to work after being out on account of illness.

¶ Amanda Matineau was a visitor in Salem, Mass., recently.

¶ Lucienne Lavallee was out a week on account of illness.

¶ We welcome Frank Freeland who has been transferred from the 3rd to the 2nd shift.

¶ We welcome Blanche Jarvis on the second shift. We hope you'll like it here with us, Blanche.

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This cute little girl with bright eyes and shining countenance is Virginia Barden, two year old daughter of Ruth Barden, who is employed in the blanket division at Biddeford.



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¶ Emelienn Fournier was a visitor in Hudson, N. H.  
¶ I hear there will be a beauty contest staged on the second shift. Will the Second Hand's wife or the roll man's Sweetheart be the winner?  
¶ The cut boy's eyesight is rather Dubey-ous, don't you think?  
¶ What would have happened if Milton had a furlough? Ask Eleanor.  
¶ We hear that blondes are beautiful but dumb, but Kay Fenlason has shown us that they can possess both brains and beauty.  
¶ We welcome Pauline L'Heureux, Emelienn Bouchard and Kathleen Fenlason.  
¶ We wonder if Helen went to Lewiston over the week end to see the "Sheets".  
¶ Eleanor, what happened to your box of candy kisses? Did Joe V. consider them a "specialty"?  
¶ We are sorry to learn that Eddie Berube is out due to illness.

**TOWEL CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford**

REPORTERS: Natalie Keene, Lawrence Beaudette.

¶ The thermometer in our room now registers 92% in the drive for U. S. Defense Bonds and we are determined to reach the 100% mark within the next few days.  
¶ Nat. Keene and Archie Droggitis, owner of the "Wonder Bar", attended the Ice Follies at the Boston Garden recently. Nat reports that the following night she attempted to emulate the fancy skating of the Queen of the Ice, but ended up imitating Sitting Bull. Now Natalie is going to remain a Maing fan.  
¶ Katherine Simoneau attended a theater and dinner party in Portland recently.  
¶ Ann Tsomides attended a banquet of the personnel of the Bouton Shoe Store held in Portland recently.  
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Andre DuPont witnessed the showing of the laugh hit of the season "Louisiana Purchase" at the State theater in Portland recently.  
¶ We are happy to announce that the future news items for this department will be written by Natalie Keene, a former reporter, who will replace your reporter with the next issue. Miss Keene has for many weeks been reporting news for the

Pepperell column in the Biddeford Daily Journal and will bring into this department's column the wit and humor of years of concealed genius.

¶ With this issue your reporter comes to the end of his journalistic career and expresses his deepest appreciation to his many readers for their continued interest in our column and sincerely hopes that they will continue to be amid the readers of "The Towel Dept. News."

**BLANKET CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford**

REPORTERS: Rose Bouthot, Catherine Lamb, Magella Centara.

¶ We wish a speedy recovery to Lucienne Binette who is a patient at Irene Convalescent Home. Lucienne was presented with a beautiful ring from her co-workers and she wants to thank each and every one.  
¶ Albertine Frechette and Blanche Bourgeault are absent due to illness, we miss you girls and would like to see you back real soon.  
¶ We are sorry to hear that Lionel Petit is leaving us due to illness.

¶ We are glad to have Lea Tardiff back with us after being on a leave of absence.

¶ Maurice E. has been loafing quite often lately. Maybe it's because he can't push his car that far. After all, he lives in Old Orchard.

*Miss Varais Attended Ice Follies*

¶ We want to welcome Lawrence Legarde, a young lady from the Towel Cloth Room.  
¶ Catherine Lamb, one of our reporters, is out on a short leave of absence. Hurry back, Catherine, we miss you.  
¶ Marion Casteau and daughter, Ansette, spent a week with relatives in Lowell, Mass., recently.  
¶ Mrs. Delphine Joncas motored to Portsmouth recently to visit her daughter, Yvette.  
¶ Annette L. says she has to keep the "Home Fire Burning". Keep up the good work, Ansette, you're doing a fine job.  
¶ Albert Belisle has left us to accept another position. Good luck to you, Albert.  
¶ Esther Belisle was out for a week to take care of her little son, who recently returned from the hospital.  
¶ Georgia Varais attended the Ice Follies in Boston recently. Did you have a good time, Georgia?

Here is an opportunity for some of the older Fall River employees to identify these people. This picture was taken in 1932 in the weave room of B Mill. They are: Mrs. Beauregard, Mrs. Lorette Coderre, Mrs. Balanger, Mrs. Yvonne Coderre, Mrs. Dianna Couture, Mrs. Jenny Silvia, Mrs. Janet Berube, Miss Silvia, Mrs. Louise Cosme, Mrs. Sadie Dorsey and Mrs. Yvonne Schmit.



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ERNEST MORRIS, Fall River Editor

## RAYON DIVISION OFFICE

## LISTEN FOLKS!

Do you know that the three shifts are still running their neck-a-neck race in the sales of United States Defense Stamps so that we must say: "HATS OFF!" to all three. That's fine. Keep up the spirit.

Although we have sold *far more* than \$1,200.00 worth of stamps to date, we must strive to increase our weekly sales. Now that the income tax has been paid by everyone let's try harder than ever before to beat our enemies by buying more stamps and thus preserving DEMOCRACY for our country.

**WE MUST NOT STOP BUYING STAMPS! LET'S MAKE THIS A BETTER SALES MONTH!**

ANYONE DESIRING TO BUY UNITED STATES DEFENSE STAMPS MAY DO SO ANY DAY IN THE WEEK AT THE RAYON DIVISION OFFICE.

## MACHINE SHOP — Fall River

REPORTER: *The Whole Shop!*

¶ Rudy Lepage, our star reporter, has joined the Army and being our last visible literary man we pooled our resources and this is the result. We might add that before he left the boys took up a collection and bought him a swell pen and pencil set.

¶ Bill Harrington, sometimes called C. P. Harrington, is drinking something new these days. It has Bica-Rbo-Nate on the label.



Mr. and Mrs. George Pryea near the entrance of Quebec Bridge. Mrs. Pryea is a battery hand in room 9-2 and her husband is a weaver in room 13-2 at Biddiford.



These are the children of Mrs. Yvonne Bussiere who is a sticher at the Lewiston sheet factory. The Sheet takes pleasure in presenting—Constance 9, Doris 13, Germaine 8, and Ovila, Jr., 12.

¶ The people that went to the Old Timer's Basketball game the other night saw something that they will remember for a long time. Harold Marston, Tom Reid, John Buckley, Leo Durand, and Romeo Ouellette played basketball to end all basketball. The play that put the game on ice for the Old Timers and laid the rest of us in the aisles, was when Tom Reid took the ball away from one of his partners and dribbled, and we do mean dribbled, through the opposing team, to score a basket. (Is that you I hear screaming Ethel?)

¶ Roy Conner was the official whistle blower at the recent City Blackout test, as if he wasn't noisy enough before.

¶ We have two new boys to welcome into the Maintenance family, Frank (Red) Romine and One Round MacDonald.

¶ Grace Cushman is more than doing her share for her country. She has a wound stripe now. She was cooking something, no doubt dainty, for her boy friend in the Army when that nasty old Crisco jumped out of the pan and burned her.

¶ We end this journalistic wonder with an open letter to Leo Durand, "Try Ry Crisp."

## WEAVE ROOM MILL "B" — Fall River

REPORTER: *Phyllis LePage*

¶ The boys in the Weave Room won't have to worry any more. They have "Turkey" Borges for an anchorman.

¶ Bill Lund and Henry Rondeau were the lucky fellows who went to Boston to see the Hockey Game. They had all the boys envious telling them what a good time they had.

¶ Phyllis LePage celebrated her twenty-fifth birthday March 8. She received many cards and gifts from her family and friends. Now Phyllis, you are getting to be a big girl.

¶ Angelo Cerce was the last one to run the sheeting looms. It broke his heart to see them taken away.

¶ We offer our deepest sympathy to "Red" Crompton in the loss of his mother. "Red" went to South Carolina to be present at the funeral.

¶ We were all sorry to see Adrien Belanger go. Adrien was drafted into the Army and we all wish him the best of luck.

¶ Mr. Loiselle is back to work with us. Although he still has to wear a brace, he is doing very well.

¶ Armand Nolet left the second shift to join the armed forces. He says he'll need lots of luck and we all wish him the best.

**RAYON MILL "A" — Fall River**

REPORTERS: *Alfred Lambardo and George Flynn.*

¶ Welcome to the winding department Florence Taillon. We know you will enjoy working with us.  
¶ Sometimes we wonder what nationality Chas. Prezalar is, you can hear him all day long in most any language.  
¶ Gilbert Dionne spends his week-ends in Fairhaven. What's the main attraction, Gil?  
¶ Our second shift winding department has been very lively since Mary Viera is back to work. Take good care of yourself now so you won't leave us again.  
¶ Mary Sherman from the cloth room looks very girlish with her new hair-do.  
¶ Five of us around the lunch table:  
Cremilde Gomes will talk to you about her little Mary Lou, Evelyn Craig so bright and gay, sang us a tune today, Florence Taillon not much expected, 'cause she's the one who's been elected  
Gloria Cordiero, the crochet girl, will make a hat to adorn your pretty curls,  
Josephine Pavao will tell you why we never find time to sigh, All in all we can't be beat,  
We talk and talk, eat and eat,  
What we say and what we do in three quarters of a hour; we wonder too.

**SPINNING ROOM — Fall River**

REPORTER: *Marion Dupuis*

¶ We are glad to see Mrs. Couture back to work with us again.  
¶ We wish the best of luck to Mr. A. Vaillancourt and Mr. H. Desrosiers who were recently inducted in the United States Army. Our loss is Uncle Sam's gain.  
¶ We hope O. Costa likes his new job. He has been transferred from the third shift to the second shift.  
¶ Blanche and Lillian believe in shopping early. All they need now is nice weather to wear their new Easter outfits.  
¶ We offer our sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. A. Garand in their recent bereavement.  
¶ All the girls like your new hair-do, Dot.  
¶ We wish a speedy recovery to Mrs. R. Philibert who is absent from work due to illness.  
¶ Mrs. A. Jeffrey has been home with a bad cold.  
¶ Don't let the blackouts upset you so Alma. We are only practicing.

**CARDING DEPARTMENT — Fall River**

REPORTER: *Beatrice Dupuis*

¶ Mary Nicolou is now working on the first shift after working on the second shift for many years.  
¶ Joseph Boyd is still out after undergoing an appendectomy at the Truesdale Hospital. A speedy recovery to you Joe.



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William, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William Burke, of the Fall River Plant. Billy's dad is employed in B cloth room and his mother in Plant A winding department.

¶ What was a certain gentleman from our department thinking of, when he was seen walking down Bedford Street on a very stormy day, with only one rubber on?

¶ Among those taking first aid courses are Cecil and Margaret. Cecil is also an Air Raid Warden.

¶ If you want to see some good basketball games we suggest that you venture down to the Boy's Club some Wednesday night to see a few of the Pepperell boys in action. P.S. Especially the "Old Timers."

¶ Everyone is familiar with the story "Mary had a little Lamb." John DeFusco reminds us of this story, for everywhere that Johnny goes "Butch" is sure to follow. "Butch" of course, is his dog.

¶ Margaret and her husband had as their recent guest First Class Seaman Michael Mario of Norfolk, Va.

¶ Well folks, it's a sure sign that Spring is just around the corner. Ann Dupre tells us that her husband presented her with a bouquet of pussy willows just the other day.

**PLANT B CLOTH DEPT. — Fall River**

REPORTER: *Ethel Marston*

¶ Vera is all for the Army now. The question is, is it patriotism, or is it Rudy? They will have to postpone that yarn shortage until the customary sweater is made.

¶ Catherine is at her best this week. She is visiting her Sergeant Jimmy who is stationed at Virginia.

¶ Now that the basketball games are over maybe Elna can have her Cooty Party without interruption.

¶ Maybe Amy will get her waistline down now that Francis has gone to the Naval Torpedo Station at Newport to work. Amy is singing, "I don't want to eat without you Francis." Never mind Francis we all miss you.

¶ Margaret's dream has been realized. The long awaited blackout came at last. Was it as nice as you anticipated?

¶ Perhaps you don't know it but Sadie has gone in the Barbering business.

¶ Too bad the war broke out when it did. Ann Farland had to postpone her trip to the Bahamas.

¶ Genevieve and Gert are out taking care of their children who have been very sick. Hope they get well soon so as you can both get back to work.

¶ Kay showed her skill as a basketball player the other night at the Boy's Club. Maybe the Pepperells would like a good sub.

¶ Dot Barrowclough and Gladys Carling do not care how many colds the girls contract now, they are both selling handkerchiefs.

¶ We wish to welcome our new employee, Louis Collins. Hope you like working with us Louis.



Roberta Louise Ward is the year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Ward, both employees of the sheet factory at Lewiston.

## WHO'S WHO IN LEWISTON

HARRY J. VAUGHN, *Lewiston Editor*

### NAPPING ROOM NO. 1 — Lewiston

REPORTER: Phillip Coulombe.

¶ Our foreman, Rosalie Vaillancourt, has joined the ranks of the benedict. Good luck, Rosalie.  
 ¶ The Napping Room certainly has dwindled during the last few months. The boys are now spread all over the plant what with nine working in the Dyehouse and about ten more in the other departments.  
 ¶ Kind of cheerful since the girls have been inspecting government goods in the room. Some of the boys seem to be weakening to their charming personalities.  
 ¶ Frank "Pearl Harbor" Butler wakes the boys up every morning with his melodious voice.  
 ¶ Frank Cox, who migrated from the plains of New Gloucester to the fair city of Auburn for the winter intends to remain at his new address. According to Frank, Uncle Sam needs the tires and the gas.  
 ¶ Could the six bottles of coke that Joe Poulin drinks every day account for his surplus weight?  
 ¶ Blanchette is still worried about that FBI story. Don't worry "Sunday", it was only a salesman.

### WHITE FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: Roland Lacombe.

¶ What is so important in the Shoe Fabrics Dept., Bob? It's a longer walk to the Sample Room than way than crossing on the bridge.  
 ¶ What a beautiful set of teeth, Larry.  
 ¶ We thought Bill O'Kane was past the age of having the measles, especially German. What's the matter, Bill, reading about the war?  
 ¶ Lucien Goyette was seen recently at a dance. Boy, can he go to town!  
 ¶ NOTICE: If anybody has anything to settle with John Turner, now is the time because the Portland examination is right around the corner.  
 ¶ Cecile Gosselin has found another fortune teller. We wonder if it will be the same story.  
 ¶ Muriel, you must be kind of lonesome now that Larry is working on the third shift.  
 ¶ Paul Beauchene was one of the lucky winners who went to the Hockey Game in Boston. He says he never saw anything as nice as the North Station in Boston.  
 ¶ Something for everybody this month. See Marty Norton.

### GREY ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: Joseph Gorman.

¶ You know that winter is still here because the same old cry "Close the Doors" can be heard.  
 ¶ Amie Brouillette is in good humor now that he has something to shout about.  
 ¶ Ida Vaillancourt has had some important visitors recently. The boy friend was home for a few days and now she informs us that her brother is coming home shortly. When they're here she's happy, when they're gone she's sad.  
 ¶ Fred Woodcock and Al Gowell have been ice fishing nearly every week-end since the lakes have frozen. Freddy claims that he will make an expert out of Al yet.  
 ¶ Oliver Dubois, who is a great hockey fan, is planning on joining the LeMontagnard Club. Then he will have a good team to root for, claims the great Gilbert of the Storehouse.



Vera Holland and her mother, Lucy, both employees of B cloth room, Fall River. Vera is a member of the Elizabeth Doran Drum and Bugle Corps.

### YARD — Lewiston

REPORTER: Russell Bryant.

¶ Arthur Lizotte says that Frank Ouellette gets all his news from Station CBF, Montreal.  
 ¶ We are all very sorry to hear that Lucien Dutil is under doctor's orders not to work over eight hours per day and to take time off every two hours for lunch.  
 ¶ If anybody has any arguments on why Ted Williams should be in the army this summer (especially Tom Gormley), see Louis Driscoll.  
 ¶ Joe St. Denis informs us that his brother Sam was once billed at a circus sideshow under the name of "The Wild Man from Coaticook".

### COLORED FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: John McKenna.

¶ Harry Walker has put his car up to save his tires for a big summer ahead. You know you can't walk to Township No. 3, Harry.  
 ¶ Margaret Kelley has given up the Lovelorn Column for Madame Zelaine.  
 ¶ Grace Cote is getting ready for her Spring painting and papering. (Note) Grace does her own.  
 ¶ Helen Taylor is thinking of increasing her garden space this year. The Government advises more home gardens and Helen likes to help do her part.  
 ¶ The sugar ration won't affect Marie Giroux, as she is still on a diet.  
 ¶ Carl Wood looks worried lately. It would not be the draft board, Carl?  
 ¶ Ralph Verville has just completed a course in First Aid from the Red Cross. He is waiting for his diploma.

### SPECIAL CLOTHS DEPARTMENT

REPORTER: Harold Duson.

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¶ Frankie Kenseborus dropped in to see us recently. Frankie is now an M.P. at Camp Edwards and he certainly looks as though Army life agreed with him.

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Doris is three years old and is the daughter of Mrs. Bernadette Paradis, who is a member of the sheet factory night shift at Lewiston.

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¶ We now have the law in our Dept. Don Olquin is a deputy sheriff.

¶ George Demarais has been cutting down the "Old Pine Tree". George says it was a powerful tall tree but Don thinks it a mighty tall story.

¶ Wally Witham's wife must be conserving sugar. This is a commendable and patriotic practice but we sure do miss those maple walnut cakes.

¶ If any relatives of George Demarais in Fall River read this sheet will they get in touch with him. George is anxious to learn their addresses.

¶ Stanley Clements is thinking too much of his women. He is writing girls' names on the roll tickets—"Stash" says he likes 'em big.

**BOX SHOP — Lewiston**

REPORTER: Eugene Madden.

¶ It is remarkable how Bill Parker can sit and watch the game day after day and never tell the other fellow how to play or how it should have been played. As a rule, those "tail birds" always have their nickel's worth to say.

¶ Gene Moore keeps the card room nice and clean and so, as a sort of a reward for his labor, the boys let him sit in once in a while and also let him win a game now and then. ¶ No one yet knows whether Russ Bryant is a victim of shell shock or not, but he sure does squirm around some when he is trying to tell his partner that he has the other ace.

¶ "Vic" Bonenfant took in the Sportsmen's Show and also the Ice Follies which were held in Boston recently. "Vic" reports both as being great shows.

¶ There are several reasons offered as to how Fred Marquis got that stiff neck of his. Some say that he dislocated it by stretching it in order to look into the other fellow's hand during the pinochle game. Others say that the government reclaimed the rubber that was in it.

¶ Larry (hold your aces) Eccles and Methode (Whispering) Rancourt would make a couple of good air raid sirens, judging from the noise they make arguing a point in the pinochle game.

¶ Jim Gauthier presented the boys with a brand new deck of cards the other day and, to show their appreciation, they "washed" Jim a couple of times that same noon hour.

**FRAME ROOM — Lewiston**

REPORTER: John Grimmel

¶ We are very glad to hear that Johnnie Grimmel's wife is recovering from her recent illness satisfactorily.

¶ By the time this is in print we shall lose a couple more of the boys to the Army. Good luck, boys.

¶ We welcome Leo Ray and Henry Wailus to the Frame Room payroll.

¶ Bert Buteau may be a little short of hair, but he makes up for it by his ability to play the electric guitar.

¶ Harry Levesque was out looking for nickels last Sunday afternoon and got his feet wet. As an excuse to get out of the house, he told his wife he was taking the baby out for a stroll.

¶ Well, if any of you fellows has to have a tooth pulled and you want to save a dollar without any strings attached, ask Cliff Moyes and he will pull them out with his fingers. Believe it or not.

¶ Johnny Jepson was very pleased to see his name in the last "Sheet". He was thinking that all the boys had forgotten him. Even if we have no gossip about you, John, we are glad to mention your name again.

¶ Well, all of the boys got their pictures after some waiting and some of the pictures are pigs, including my own. But, Boy!—with the numbers under the face—I don't know how to express it. But, if you want to know what I mean, ask Charlie Morin about it.

¶ If you have a car that you want to swap in but have no prospects, you must see Pete Mercier. He can swap any car on the market for you—and for any other car.

¶ Dan Sullivan says if Cliff Moyes were Superman it could be done. He means the tooth pulling. But Dan will always have his taken out by a dentist.

¶ Rene Morin, our new trucker, tells this one which we, of course, believe. It's the truth, so help me, says Rene. My father had a hog and every time it got loose it headed for the potato field. One day, to my father's dismay, he caught the hog out in the field rooting up a row of potatoes. My father got mad, grabbed the axe and split the hog's head open. The hog ran into the barn squealing but the second day after the hog was loose again and, "What do you think?" asks Rene. "That hog was out there rooting up two rows at the same time". (A medal for Rene).

**SHEET FACTORY — Lewiston**

REPORTERS: Ellen Cooper and Dorothy Cahey.

¶ Sickness caused a lot of absences in the night crew. Myra Conley is back, but Irene Howard is still out with a throat infection.

¶ Jeannette seems to be a local restaurant regular early morning eater. Who is he, Jeannette?

¶ Leona Ray is still wondering why her name hasn't been in the "Sheet" and she's been with us since early last Fall, so, "Hello", Lee.

¶ The girls on the night crew who got the Valentines can't believe that someone really thought enough of them to send them.

¶ Spring must be in the air, as the talk of Summer vacations seems to be the main topic these nights.

¶ Yvette McKenna gets a lot of mail these days and we still believe she is the popular girl she always was.

¶ Agnes Blackwood is the proud grandmother of a grandson, born Feb. 17.

¶ Among the new girls on the night crew is the very attractive Cecil Levesque.

¶ Ship ahoy—the Navy has landed in the person of "Heim" LaBrie. We are all glad to have you with us.

¶ Several of our night girls celebrate their birthdays in March so, "Happy Birthday", Mary, Anita and Bunny.

¶ The girls in the towel department must be well informed about "Dawn LaMothe's Travels" by now. Miss L. insists upon giving daily lectures about her many voyages. Did you render them the discourse about New York yet, Dawn?

¶ Regina A. made her debut at a Minstrel Show some time ago. The girls said that it was a struggle but she pulled through all right. Keep hoping, Regina, Hollywood may be calling you next.

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¶ We all wonder if Paul Lavalliere's girl friend knows that he talks about her all day long. If she doesn't, we are sure that some of her friends will tell her. Maybe that's the reason that he is so dreamy-eyed lately.

¶ Wally Raymond is back with us again after a long illness. Welcome back, Wally!

¶ Wimpy and Gordon visited Boston over a recent weekend. The point of interest they enjoyed the most was "The Old Howard".

¶ We guess Dennis Callahan believes in the old saying "an apple a day keeps the doctor away" because every day you see him eating an apple.

**CAN ROOM — Lewiston**

REPORTER: Robert Tiner.

¶ The baseball team which Johnny Hopkins coached so well last season is planning a big schedule this year and will be sporting new uniforms. Whether Johnny will be available for coaching duties this year is not known at this time.

¶ It's time again for Spike Paradis to put his car on the road and Spike says he isn't worried about the tire shortage because a few rubber bands will go just as well on his crate.

¶ Omer Legare hasn't been chewing much tobacco lately. It isn't because he doesn't want to, nor is it the expense; Omer just hasn't got what it takes!

¶ Joe Leblond has been trying to join a Boy Scout Troop. It seems that he wants to learn how to tie a knot that won't slip.

¶ "Shorty" Dubois is now in shape again after a slight injury to his back. Now, if it were "Speed" Morin who had a sore back we could easily understand it, as his billfold is heavy enough to injure anyone's back.

¶ Most of you have probably seen a sign which shows a picture of Uncle Sam pointing his finger at whoever may be looking at him and saying "I need you". A member of the Can Room who had just come out of the dentist's office looked at this sign and it said "I don't mean your brother".

¶ Henry Landry has been waiting anxiously for a long legged bird and by now he should have arrived unless the tire rationing has delayed him.

**IT'S IN THE BAG**

An armored truck with six guards equipped with machine guns and escorted by four motorcycle police drove slowly toward Rowe's Corner and finally came to a stop at Mr. Cooper's house. Two F.B.I. men met the party and a small package was carefully taken from the truck and brought into the house. The safe was carefully opened and the package put safely in. Mr. Cooper gave a sigh of relief as his 2 lbs. of sugar had been well taken care of.

**SHOE GOODS DEPT. — Lewiston**

REPORTERS: William Collins and John Lavoie.

¶ Willie Rioux seems to be having a terrible time with his lunch these days. One day he swore he would kill the guy who took his steak sandwiches. Come to find out it was his father-in-law who had taken them (by mistake). By the way, he's still living. Another morning he was having breakfast in a cafe and he took the wrong lunch bag when he went out. Better tie a lock and chain on it, Bill.

¶ Dottie, Florence and Alda are taking up bowling these days. Rita and Henrietta will soon join them. Would you girls care to bowl us fellows? Losers pay, of course.

¶ Larry Anstil (the radio man), is now leading Willie Rioux in the eating contest due to Willie's lunch trouble,

we guess, but there's a new challenger in "Bob" Rioux who in another month will put these guys to shame. What an appetite for a little fellow!

¶ Rita Carboneau has recovered from a week's illness.

Glad to see you well again, Rita.

¶ It is rumored that the girls in our department will soon be sporting slacks to work. What's the matter, girls, are you doing your part in National Defense or is it to hide the legs?

¶ Johnny Lavoie, God's gift to the ladies, says there aren't



This little tot is Roger Roy, whose dad is a carpenter at the Biddeford mill. He is held by a neighbor, Mrs. Descoateau.

many girls left in the twin cities that he doesn't know pretty well. At the rate he's going these days we are beginning to believe him.

¶ We don't hear much of Alex Bain's sport stories lately. Could it be the fish and birds have run out on him?

¶ John Finn says that one fine morning he's going to bring his dog with him to chase Armand Soucy away from the girls.

**MACHINE SHOP — Lewiston**

REPORTER: Carl Proctor.

¶ Val Lacosseire recently dug his camp out of the snow to see if all the pieces were there. One winter someone dug his waterpipe up and now Val goes around every once in a while to check up.

¶ F. Jackson is absent because of sickness.

¶ Lou Lucier is thinking of getting some Round Oak stoves to supplement his heating system. Just in case the oil gives out.

¶ Some of the boys are just getting over a near collapse brought on while figuring their income tax.

¶ Speaking of income tax, M. Gravel claims the single men pay and pay and pay.

¶ D. Davis is sure that lots of people don't know when their radio isn't working right. (Free Adv.)

¶ Jerry Coughlin will be all right if they don't start rationing peanuts.

¶ E. Haskell is planning on going into politics. He says he couldn't be any worse than some.

**OFFICE — Lewiston**

REPORTER: Dorothy Wellander.

¶ Lester Davis was seen recently attending a Sunday evening musical concert at Foyer Musicale rooms. We wonder if he stayed awake to enjoy it.

¶ Miss Thompson and Miss Malloy were among those present at recent Cooking School sessions. My, we must have some good cooks around here now. How about bringing in samples?

¶ Harry Vaughn and Carl French took a quick trip to Boston to attend a hockey game at Boston Garden.

¶ Without doubt, the sweetest sounds in the office are the words used when "Babe" Dechene and Ted Murphy start throwing bouquets at each other. It really is very touching.

¶ Wonder what Ted Murphy plans to do with the knitting bag he recently purchased? Has he taken up "knit one, purl two"?

¶ Latest reports from Mr. Lawlor are that he is feeling fine and will soon be back with us again.

¶ We hope that Emily Leger, minus her tonsils, will be in the best of health when this is published.

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Produce this as you've never produced before. There are many cloth shortages and we've all got to try to make up for lost time. Keep every card, loom, slasher, spinning frame, dye jig, tenter frame, sewing machine, picker, opener, calender—every single machine—working as steadily and as fast as humanly possible.

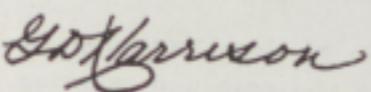
There are shortages of many other things. Save every piece of scrap metal around the plants. Save chemicals and dyestuffs, save cotton and waste. Save every last scrap of useable material.

Save at home too. This war has got to be fought there just as much as in the mill or at the front. Save food, clothing, paper,—anything that might be used in any way.

The smart fellow but the wrong one is going to say — “Oh yeah. There's no shortage. We've got plenty of everything. We're producing enough. We're going to win this war easily. Everything will come out all right.” *Of course he's wrong.*

*We're losing this war right now. We're losing our freedom, and a good deal of our liberty. But what of that? We just can't lose our pride. If we're yellow, then we deserve to be licked. Let freedom and all those things alone, but for goodness' sake let's not be cowards. The only thing that can really lick us is ourselves.*

Get up, wake up, and get at 'em.



General Manager

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